

Machine Accountants Tour Center

Forty-eight members of the Western Division of National Machine Accountants Association were guests at the Research and Development Center of Space Technology Laboratories, Inc., in El Segundo this week for a tour of the company's Computation and Data Reduction Center.

The NMAA members toured the STL center as part of the program for those attending the associations fifth annual Electronic Business Systems Conference in Long Beach.

The Long Beach NMAA Chapter is host for the conference.

At STL, a subsidiary of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge Inc., the NMAA group was welcomed by Dr. Robert W. Rector, assistant director of administration, Systems Research and Analysis Division.

Technical staff members also presented briefings on the various areas of the cen-



OPENING NIGHT—Of Hampton Players production of "The House of Bernarda Alba" is Friday at the group's theater, 100 Wall St., Redondo Beach. Betsy Macken-

zie, Maxine Chevalier and Rita Thompson (left to right) are featured in the play. The play will run five weekends.

ter prior to the tour. An integral part of space and missile systems engineering at STL, CDRC is one of the largest and most flexible facilities of its kind in the nation.

The primary equipment includes two IBM 7090 computers, IBM Data Processing

Systems and the latest in peripheral equipment. The high-speed computers are used primarily to perform extensive calculations in connection with STL's contributions to ballistic missile and space programs. The visitors also toured the STL Space Navigation Center, from which tracking operations of ballistic missiles and space satellites are carried out.

SALUTE

Marine Cpl. Charles D. DeFrance, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh DeFrance of 2473 W. 255th St., Lomita, completed an Atomic, Biological and Chemical Defense course Sept. 29, at the First Marine Division Schools Center, Camp Pendleton.

The four-week course included classes in detection and identification of chemical, biological warfare decontamination, and defensive measures against blast, heat and radiation.

Participating in Exercise "Warm-Up," a joint naval-marine amphibious operation in the Okinawa area, while serving aboard the dock landing ship USS Tortuga, is Gerald A. Petit, seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Petit of 17026 Haas Ave., Torrance.

The Tortuga, a unit of the Seventh Fleet, is one of the fleet's components participating in the exercise with

units of the Okinawa-based Third Marine Division.

Roger W. Shuman Jr., fireman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Shuman Sr. of 2310 Pacific Coast Hwy., Lomita, is serving aboard the dock landing ship USS Gunston Hall, a unit of an amphibious task force scheduled to take part in Operation "Silver Sword," assaulting beaches on the Island of Maui in the largest operation of its kind to take place in the Hawaiian Islands since World War II.

A routine training exercise to improve proficiency

techniques, the operation and teamwork in amphibious will consist of 25 ships, 100 Marine Corps aircraft and more than 10,000 sailors and marines.

Climaxing several days intensive training in the area, the operation will begin shortly after midnight and is met by "opposing" forces to provide realistic combat training.

Stephen E. Pierce, seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ardenne B. Pierce of 5337 Doris Way, Torrance, is serving in New England at the Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, R.I.

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Roger Tackett comes fully qualified for this operation with over 20 years automotive service and management experience having served 12 years with Buick and over eight years with Oldsmobile, Cadillac and Pontiac in the Los Angeles area. He is a member of the Redondo Beach Eagles Lodge Erie 935 and resides in Lawndale with his wife Bernice.

Mike Michaels is a former resident of Lawndale now residing in Torrance with his wife Nancy and their two sons Wesley and Kevin. He also has over 20 years experience in automotive service having been with Oldsmobile in service and management in the Los Angeles area since 1946, and is a past president of the Lawndale Optimist Club.

Both Michaels and Tackett are civic minded and will be an asset to the automotive business in this area.

The service facilities will be complete in all lines of automotive repair including brake repair, automatic transmissions, wheel alignment, motor tune-up, engine overhaul with modern precision equipment being manned by a hand-picked mechanical staff. The serv-

ice department is complimented with such personnel as Bob Lamkin, who has over 19 years of experience and is an automatic transmission expert and Gene Johnson who has over 21 years of experience and is one of Southern California's most qualified tune-up technicians.

Michaels and Tackett invite the general public to visit their facilities and get acquainted with their service personnel.

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